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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-1441, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 15-1441, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-1441. Selection of precincts; district board members; terms;
5 qualifications; vacancies

6 A. The board of supervisors shall establish in the same manner as
7 provided in section 16-411 five precincts in a community college district for
8 the election of a district board member from each precinct. A precinct in a
9 community college district shall be composed of the number of election
10 precincts as determined by the board of supervisors and shall have the same
11 boundaries as are defined for the election precincts under section 16-411. If
12 the board of supervisors redefines the boundaries of election precincts under
13 section 16-411 ~~which~~ THAT are included within a precinct in a community
14 college district, the board of supervisors shall redefine the boundaries of
15 the precinct in the community college district to conform with the election
16 precinct changes. The precincts shall be established in a newly organized
17 district subsequent to the organizational vote, and the county school
18 superintendent shall appoint five members, one from each precinct, who are
19 qualified electors.

20 B. Where two or more counties constitute a district, as many precincts
21 shall be set up by the board of supervisors in each county as the county is
22 entitled to membership. In no case shall a county ~~which~~ THAT is part of a
23 district have more than four precincts, and where a district consists of two
24 or more counties at least one member shall reside in each county.

25 C. At the first general election held for a district, the candidate
26 having the most votes in each precinct shall be declared elected, provided
27 the candidate meets the requirements provided in subsection A of this
28 section. The two elected members having the highest number of votes receive
29 six year terms, the two elected members receiving the next highest number of
30 votes receive four year terms and the one elected member receiving the lowest
31 number of votes receives a two year term. Thereafter each member's term is
32 six years.

33 D. The next general election of district board members following the
34 first general election shall be for the precinct where the elected candidate
35 received the lowest number of votes and the second general election for the
36 two precincts where the elected candidates received the next highest number
37 of votes and the third general election for the two precincts where the
38 elected candidates received the highest number of votes. The order of
39 elections as established through this procedure shall thereafter be the order
40 of precinct elections.

41 E. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the ~~county school~~
42 ~~superintendent~~ DISTRICT BOARD for the unexpired term for the precinct where
43 the vacancy occurs, except that if the unexpired term is two years or longer,
44 the ~~county school superintendent~~ DISTRICT BOARD may do one of the following:

- 1 1. Make an appointment for a term, which shall be until the next
2 regular election for district board members, at which time a successor shall
3 be elected to serve the unexpired portion of the term.
- 4 2. ~~With the approval of the district board,~~ Leave the vacancy until
5 the next regular election for governing board members, at which time a
6 successor shall be elected to serve the unexpired portion of the term.
- 7 ~~F. When a vacancy occurs in a district with more than one county, the~~
8 ~~county school superintendent of the county where the previous incumbent~~
9 ~~resided shall fill the appointment for the unexpired term.~~
- 10 ~~G.~~ F. A county officer as provided in section 11-401 is not eligible
11 to serve as a member of a community college district governing board during
12 his term of office.
- 13 ~~H.~~ G. Employees of a community college district or their spouses are
14 not eligible to hold membership on the community college district governing
15 board in the district in which the employee is employed.